

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-9 (Cancelled).

10. (Currently Amended) A web printer comprising:

a buffer means for adjusting a traveling position of a web under a slack status thereof;

infeed rollers for holding from both sides, and carrying, the web delivered from said buffer means;

detection means for detecting the traveling position in a width direction of the web;

skew correction means for adjusting the traveling position in the width direction of the web according to ~~the~~ an output from said detection means;

a dancer roller which is provided between said infeed rollers and said skew correction means and applies variable tension on the web according to a position thereof;

infeed roller control means which stabilizes said dancer roller at a desired position;

image forming means provided at an after-stage of said skew correction means in order to form an image on the web;

fixing means which is provided at an after-stage of said image forming means and fixes the image on the web;

outfeed rollers which are provided at an after-stage of said fixing means and discharge the web outside the web printer;

web feed rate detection means provided at a fore stage of said image forming means; and

outfeed roller controller means which control ~~the rotation~~ rotational speed of said outfeed rollers according to ~~the~~ an output of said web feed rate detection means.

11. (Previously Presented) The web printer according to claim 10, wherein said image forming means further includes a plurality of image forming portions arranged along a web feed route.

12. (Previously Presented) The web printer according to claim 10, wherein said image forming means further includes a plurality of image forming portions arranged on both sides of a web surface along a web feed route.

13. (Previously Presented) The web printer according to claim 12, wherein said plurality of image forming portions which are provided on one side of the web surface and said plurality of image forming portions provided on an other side of the web surface are arranged at alternately different height levels.

14. (New) The web printer according to claim 10, wherein said image forming means is an electrophotographic unit, and the web printer is an electrophotographic web printing apparatus.

15. (New) The web printer according to claim 10, wherein said web feed rate detection means is provided at an after-stage of said skew correction means.